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ADD NEW CLAIMS 41-45

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41. (New) A hand instrument as claimed in Claim 40, wherein the feed line (9) for gas is arranged at the rear of the feed line (11) for therapeutic agent.



42. (New) A hand instrument as claimed in Claim 36, wherein the handle (6) includes a rear sleeve attachment (81) and the shaft (7) includes a front sleeve attachment (82), said sleeve attachments (81, 82) engaging coaxially over one another with a play enabling relative movement therefrom, and with the sleeve attachment (82) of the shaft (7) engaging over the sleeve attachment (81) of the handle (6).

43. (New) A hand instrument as claimed in Claim 36, wherein the handle (6) and the shaft (7) are held together by a fast-acting locking connection (83).

44. (New) A medicinal or dental hand instrument for implementing abrasive medicinal or dental procedures, said liquid instrument comprising:

an elongate hand piece having a longitudinal axial bore extending between opposite ends of said hand piece, said hand piece comprising first and second portions connected for rotational movement relation to each other;

a hollow tip portion which is detachably fastened to a head end of the first portion of said hand piece, said tip portion including a fluid-flow passageway in communication with said bore at one end and a discharge nozzle at an opposite distal end of said tip portion; and

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wherein said hand piece has a rearward end of said second portion detachably fastenable to supply means for supplying a flow of treating agents to said hand instrument for discharge from a nozzle orifice of said hollow tip portion.

45. (New) A hand instrument as claimed in Claim 44, wherein the nozzle orifice is oriented at an angle relative to the axis of said hand piece.